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## Guaranteed Investment Contract

### Definition

GIC. Debt instrument issued by an insurance company, usually in a large denomination, and often bought for retirement plans. The interest rate paid is guaranteed, but the principal is not. **also called** guaranteed interest contract.

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